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**Amendments to the Specification**

On page 1, before (numbered) line 4, insert the following:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is the national stage of PCT/JP00/05167, filed August 2, 2000, which designates the United States and which claims priority from JP 11-220191, filed August 3, 1999.